

July 21, 2008
Mr. Charles Terreni
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100
Columbia SC 29210

Re: Docket - 2008-196 E

Dear Mr. Terreni:

When I heard that the decision to allow pre-clearing of land for two new nuclear reactors had been postponed, it gave me a glimmer of hope that such a costly and backward project could still be avoided. I am writing to urge you to vote against building new nuclear reactors in Jenkinsville.

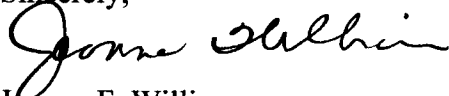
Please live up to the name of your commission by serving the public, the ratepayers of South Carolina, and help us move to energy sources and conservation incentives that will achieve energy goals without the cost and devastation that a source such as nuclear would incur.

To name one problem, nuclear energy uses vast quantities of water. With drought a problem in South Carolina and climate change is making it worse, is nuclear a good use of river water? And, there is deadly nuclear waste. In addition to the billions required to build reactors, The State newspaper reported (July 16) that the waste dump at Yucca Mountain would cost \$90 billion. Cost alone should cause you to search for better options. Additionally, it's quite likely that dump will never open. Why pursue generating more energy from a source that is so deadly and has no legitimate outlet for the waste it will continue to generate?

Every day I see news from authorities in the solar and wind energy about successful large scale applications in the United States and abroad. Others report energy conservation efficiencies through innovative designs and technologies that make a huge difference at a fraction of the cost of building any type of new power generating facility.

I have heard that if solar energy had the kind of subsidies given to oil and gas the U.S. could, right now with current technology, generate enough electricity to power the entire country. Let's go forward.

Sincerely,



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cc: Sen. Lindsay Graham, Sen. Darrell Jackson, Sen. Joel Lourie; Duke Scott, Office of Regulatory Commission.; Cindy Ross Scoppe, The State; Chad Burgess, Esq., SCE&G